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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 23, 1998. Kindly enter the following amendments and new claims.

## **AMENDMENTS**

In the Specification:

On page 2, line 13, change " '945" to -- '954- -.

On page 10, line 9, after "No." insert --08/972,648- -.

On page 10, line 10, after "on" insert -- November 18, 1997--.